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Sir:

As assignee of record of the entire right, title and interest, the undersigned corporation hereby revokes all previous powers of attorney and appoints the attorneys and/or agents of Staas & Halsey LLP under USPTO Customer No. 21,171 to prosecute and transact all business

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1668.1005	09/549,353	April 14, 2000	Krishnaswamy S. RAJAN	DETECTION OF BIOLOGICAL WARFARE AGENTS
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The undersigned assignee further states that the registered attorneys and/or agents identified in the new power of attorney above, are empowered and authorized to sign the statement(s) and certification(s) under 37 CFR 3.73(b) on behalf of the assignee. Attached to this power is/are "CERTIFICATE(S) UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)."

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